



Job Title: Orientation and Mobility Specialist / Teacher of the Blind and Visually Impaired (.3 FTE)

Location: Multiple School Districts within the Benton-Stearns Education District

Position Type: Part-Time (Up to 400 hours during the 2025-2026 School Year)

Start Date: August 25th, 2025

Application Deadline: Opened until filled

Position Overview:

Benton-Stearns Education District is seeking a qualified and dedicated **Orientation and Mobility (O&M) Specialist/Teacher for the Blind and Visually Impaired** to provide services to students who are blind or visually impaired across multiple school districts and grade levels (PreK–12). This position is part-time with flexible scheduling, and is ideal for professionals passionate about promoting student independence and accessibility in diverse educational environments.

Key Responsibilities:

- Provide direct instruction in orientation and mobility skills to students with visual impairments across various age groups and ability levels.
- Conduct comprehensive assessments to determine students' mobility needs and develop individualized orientation and mobility goals.
- Collaborate with IEP teams across districts to support educational planning and accommodations.
- Teach safe and independent travel techniques, including cane travel, environmental awareness, spatial orientation, and public transportation use where appropriate.
- Consult with educational staff, related service providers, and families to promote student access and inclusion.
- Travel between school sites within participating districts as needed.
- Maintain accurate and timely documentation in accordance with state and district requirements.

Qualifications:

- Valid certification and licensure by the Minnesota Department of Education as an Orientation and Mobility Specialist and Teacher of the Visually Impaired
- Experience working with students who are blind or visually impaired, preferably across multiple age groups.
- Strong communication, collaboration, and organizational skills.

- Ability to manage scheduling and service delivery across multiple sites.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Experience in school-based settings and working with students who have multiple disabilities
- Knowledge of accessible technology and navigation tools for individuals with visual impairments.
- Dual certification in both TVI and O&M.

Work Schedule:

Part-time with flexible scheduling during school hours. Travel among schools in participating districts is required.

Salary:

Competitive and based on experience and qualifications, aligned with the collective bargaining agreement and district compensation structures.

To Apply:

Please submit the following:

- Cover letter
- Resume
- Copies of certification/licensure
- Two professional references

Send application materials via email to:

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